

Beaumont Fire-Rescue Services

PERFORMANCE BENCHMARKS

402.09D

Coupling and Uncoupling Two Lengths of Fire Hose

Discipline: Hose
Effective: 1/1/2001
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Replaces: Firefighter Benchmark #61

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I. Objective

The firefighter shall demonstrate the proper method of coupling and uncoupling two lengths of fire hose using the following methods: (1) knee-press, (2) stiff-arm, (3) spanner wrench. A second person will assist with the stiff-arm method.

II. Instructions – Procedures for Achieving the Objective

You shall demonstrate the proper method of coupling and uncoupling two lengths of fire hose using the following methods: (1) knee-press, (2) stiff-arm, (3) spanner wrench. You will have a second person for the stiff-arm method. You will begin on my instruction to start. The skill will end when you state to me that you have completed all of the identified steps. Do you understand these instructions?

III. Examiner's Note

The firefighter will not be allowed to review the performance steps at the time of testing.

IV. Preparation & Equipment

- A. 2 lengths of 1-³/₄" or larger hose
- B. Spanner wrench set

Note: The firefighter shall accomplish the skills wearing "FULL PROTECTIVE CLOTHING FOR STRUCTURAL FIREFIGHTER" as required by the Texas Commission on Fire Protection to include helmet, gloves, coat, trousers, boots, and SCBA. Firefighter will not don face piece.

V. Reference Sources

- A. TCFP, Performance Standards, Section 106-6.01, .02, .03.
- B. NFPA, National Fire Protection Agency 1001 3-3.9(b).
- C. IFSTA, Essentials of Fire Fighting, 4th Edition, pages 96-97.

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Name:	Officer #:
Evaluator:	Officer #:
Date:	Location:

If the firefighter:

(No partial points given)

- a) Demonstrates the knee-press method..... 1.0 _____
- b) Demonstrates the stiff-arm (two person) method..... 1.0 _____
- c) Demonstrates the spanner wrench method 1.0 _____

Points Possible	Passing Score	Attempt	Performance Rating (Points)	PASS	FAIL
3	2	First			
		Second			